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#### **Overview**

#### Introduction

Several CIPPS payroll deductions are available to help agencies collect parking and other transportation program fees using pre or post-tax deductions. In accordance with IRC 132(f)(4) and Public Law 105-178, as of 2003, parking expenses up to \$190 and transit/vanpool expenses up to \$100 per month can be deducted on a pre-tax basis. Limits may change. Be sure to verify maximum rates with applicable code sections. Deducted funds are then used to pay for benefits. Pre-tax deductions reduce employees' federal, state, and FICA taxable income for withholding and W-2 reporting purposes. Employees must authorize pre-tax deductions by submitting salary reduction agreement forms.

# **DGS Parking Services Program**

#### **DGS Policy**

DGS Directive 14 establishes policies and procedures governing state-owned or leased parking facilities. This Directive is supplemented by the policies contained in the DGS Pre-tax Parking Fee Program document. Employees must follow DGS procedures for obtaining, completing, and submitting the required enrollment and DGS Salary Reduction Agreement forms to their agency's human resources or payroll office. Agencies are charged for all allocated parking spaces. Costs are typically collected from employees through payroll deduction. Agencies must reconcile the Parking Fee Suspense Account monthly.

#### Pre-Tax Parking

Fees for DGS parking can be collected through payroll deduction pre or post-tax. DGS Salary reduction agreement forms must be completed in advance of participation in the pre-tax program. Retroactive participation and adjustments are not permitted. If the salary reduction agreement form is not completed in advance, participation can commence no earlier than two paydays following form submission.

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# **DGS Parking Services Program, Continued**

# CIPPS Processing and CARS Reporting

CIPPS deductions 028 (post-tax) and 037 (pre-tax) are used to collect parking fees. Third party checks are not generated for these deductions. The deductions are recorded to CARS using transaction code 228, GLA 122 (Parking Fee Suspense Account), fund/fund detail code 0270 and Revenue Source code 02506. Agency totals of deduction 028 and 037 amounts are added together and displayed under transaction code 228 on the Report U058, CARS Payroll Transaction Recap Report.

#### DGS Parking Charges and Agency Parking Reconciliation

On the last CARS processing day of each month, DGS processes an IAT charging each agency's GLA 122 for the total amount due for all parking spaces allocated to the agency.

DGS requires agencies to reconcile the Parking Fee Suspense Account. Agencies must charge agency funds for spaces occupied by agency-owned vehicles. Agency funds cannot be used to pay parking fees for spaces assigned to employees. However, unassigned spaces are to be paid with agency funds.

# **Agency Parking and Transportation Programs**

#### Agency Programs

Agencies may also sponsor employee parking programs in non-DGS facilities. Such programs are supported in CIPPS through pre or post-tax payroll deductions. Other transportation programs (i.e., mass transit pass, van pooling) sponsored by agencies are supported through pre-tax payroll deduction only.

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# **Agency Parking and Transportation Programs, Continued**

#### Pre-tax Programs

Although agency parking and transportation programs can be designed to provide direct employee reimbursement for actual expenses, benefits are typically paid through one central bill administered by the agency. If direct employee reimbursement is provided, employees must provide proper certification and documentation of actual expenses. Salary reduction agreement forms must be completed in advance of participation in each pretax program. Agencies must also prohibit:

- Retroactive application of salary reduction agreements
- Cash pay-outs of excess deducted amounts
- Carryover of excess deducted amounts to future months

#### CIPPS Processing

CIPPS deductions 032 (post-tax parking), 050 (pre-tax parking), and 051 (pre-tax transportation) support agency parking and transportation programs. CIPPS generates one check per agency per pay frequency per pay-run, in the aggregate amount of the deduction within the agency and pay frequency, to a payee of the agency's choice. If your agency has more than one agency parking facility program, or more than one transportation program, the agency must deposit the third party check generated by CIPPS and disburse the appropriate amount to each parking and transportation company.

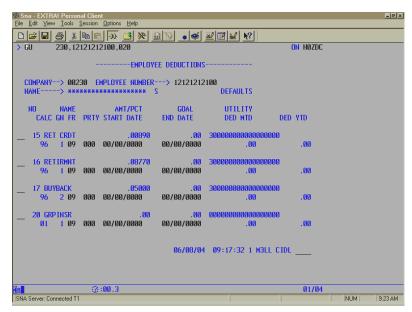
You must notify DOA anytime you establish a new program or change the third party payee.

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# **CIPPS Data Entry**

# **Deduction Processing**

CIPPS deductions to process DGS and agency parking and transportation program fees are established on H0ZDC as follows:



**NO** 

Enter the appropriate 3 position deduction number.

DGS Parking		Agency Parking & Transportation			
028	post tax parking	032	post tax parking		
037	pre tax parking	pre tax parking			
	_	pre tax transportation			

NAME, CALC GN These fields are displayed by the system when the screen is complete and the Enter key is pressed.

FR

Enter frequency '09'.

AMT/PCT

Enter the deduction amount.

**GOAL** 

Enter the maximum amount to be withheld, if applicable.

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# CIPPS Data Entry, Continued

**UTILITY** No data entry is required. The field is automatically populated with

the appropriate setup when establishing pre-tax deductions. The utility field is zero filled for post tax deductions. (See Local Tax

Exemption note below.)

**PRTY** Not Used.

**START DATE** Optional. Enter the top of the period in which the deduction is to

start.

**END DATE** Optional. Enter the last day of the period in which the deduction is

to end.

#### Local Tax Exemption

Deductions that are tax sensitive (i.e., exempt from FIT, SIT, FICA) may also need to exempt from local taxes, if the employee is paying other than Virginia taxes. To exempt a deduction from local taxes, enter a '2' in position thirteen (13) of the utility field.

# **Internal Control**

#### Internal Control

Agencies must ensure employees pay for assigned parking spaces and obtain appropriate salary reduction agreements for pre-tax deductions.

# **Records Retention**

#### Time Period

Supporting payroll documents should be retained for a period of 5 years or until audited whichever is later.

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